

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of printing from a computing device, said method comprising:

receiving a print task at a local print system component in a first network;

acquiring, by communication between a second-network print system component and ~~with~~ said local print system component, printer data for a plurality of second-network printers located in a second network wherein said plurality of second-network printers are not directly accessible to said local print system component, wherein said plurality of second-network printers are not detectable to computing devices in said first network and wherein said plurality of second-network printers are in communication with a said second-network print system component located in said second network;

sending said print task from said local print system component to said second-network print system component in said second network; and

sending said print task, from said second-network print system component in said second network, to at least one of said plurality of second-network printers in communication with said second-network print system component for printing.
2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said local print system component is a spooler.
3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein said local print system component is a print processor.

4. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said second-network print system component is a spooler.

5. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein said second-network print system component is a print processor.

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising reconfiguring said print task according to said printer data related to said print task.

7. (original) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring is performed via said local print system component.

8. (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring is performed via said second-network print system component.

9. (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring enables said print task to be printed on at least one second-network device.

10. (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein said reconfiguring comprises reconfiguring said print task for cluster printing on said plurality of second-network printers.

11. (previously presented) A method of remote printing, said method comprising:

sending a print task to a local print system component on a first network;

determining characteristics of said print task;

determining the availability of a plurality of second-network printing devices located on a second network, wherein said second-network printing devices are not directly accessible to said local print system component and said second-network

printing devices are not detectable by computing devices in said first network, said determining being performed via a second-network print system component in said second network, wherein said second-network print system component is in communication with said local print system component;

determining the capabilities of said plurality of second-network printing devices with said second-network print system component;

sending said print task to said second-network print system component;
and

sending said print task from said second-network print system component to at least one of said plurality of second-network printing devices for printing.

12. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 further comprising selecting, via said local print system component, said at least one of said plurality of second-network printing devices.

13. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 further comprising reconfiguring said print task.

14. (original) The method of claim 11 wherein said determining characteristics is accomplished via said local print system component.

15. (previously presented) The method of claim 13 wherein said determining characteristics is accomplished via said second-network print system component.

16. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises job splitting among said plurality of second-network devices.

17. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises copy splitting among said plurality of second-network devices.

18. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises division of said print task into multiple print tasks for printing on a cluster of said second-network printing devices.

19. (original) The method of claim 11 wherein said reconfiguring comprises changing the destination of a print task.

20. (currently amended) A method of remote printing, said method comprising:

sending a print task to a local print system component on a first network;

determining a device requirement of said print task;

sending said device requirement to a second-network print system component on a second network that does not share devices with said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

checking, with said second-network print system component, the availability of a plurality of second-network printing devices on said second network, wherein said plurality of second-network printing devices is not directly accessible to said local print system component, but said plurality of second-network printing devices is in communication with said second-network print system component;

determining, with said second-network print system component, the capability of said plurality of second-network printing devices to meet said device requirement;

automatically selecting at least one of said plurality of second-network printing devices; and

sending said print task to said selected at least one second-network printing device.

21. (previously presented) The method of claim 20 further comprising reconfiguring said print task for said at least one second-network printing device.

22. (previously presented) A system for remote printing, said system comprising:

a local print task receiver for receiving a print task from a local computing device on a first network;

a print task analyzer for determining a print task requirement;

a second-network printer data acquirer for acquiring printer data for a plurality of second-network printers on a second network that does not share printers with devices on said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

a print task distributor for distributing said print task to a second-network print system component on said second network; and

a printer selector for comparing printer data with said print task requirement and for selecting at least one of said plurality of second-network printers based on said comparing.

23. (currently amended) A computer readable medium comprising computer-readable instructions for performing functions within a print system component, said instructions comprising the acts of:

receiving a print task from a device on a first network;

determining print task characteristics;

sending print task characteristic data to a second-network print system component on a second network that does not share devices with said first network, wherein printing devices on said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

receiving printer data from said second-network print system component, said printer data identifying second-network printers on said second network that are capable of printing said print task;

selecting at least one of said second-network printers capable of printing said print task;

sending said print task to said second-network print system component;
and

sending said print task from said second-network print system component
to said at least one of said second-network printers selected in said selecting.

24. (canceled)

25. (canceled)

26. (previously presented) A method of printing from a first-network
computing device to a non-shared second-network printer, said method comprising:

sending a print task to a local, first-network print system component in a
first network;

acquiring printer data for at least one second-network printer on a second
network that does not share devices with said first network, wherein printing devices on
said second network are not detectable by computing devices on said first network;

sending said print task from said local, first-network print system
component to a second-network print system component on said second network; and

sending said print task from said second-network print system component
to said at least one second-network printer for printing.

27. (currently amended) A system for remote printing, said system comprising:

a local, first-network print system component comprising:

a first network;

a second network that is isolated from said first network whereby printing devices on said second network are not detectable by or directly shared with computing devices on said first network;

a receiver for receiving a print task from a local, first-network computing device on said first network,

a data acquirer for acquiring printer data for a second-network printer on said second network that does not share devices with said first network;

a second-network print system component capable of sending a print task to said printing devices on said second network;

a communication link for communicating with a said second-network print system component on said second network ~~that can utilize said second-network printer;~~ and

a sender for sending said print task to said second-network print system component for printing on said second-network printer.